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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and means of complying therewith according to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are called to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed herewith.

No representation is made that the cited art is the only art or that the cited art represents the best art.

The Examiner is urged to consider all of the cited documents and to make an independent evaluation of the teachings and materiality of each.

EP 0 821 385 A2 is directed to a plasma display device including a plasma display panel and a chassis member disposed in parallel with the display panel. A thermally conductive medium is interposed between the display panel and the chassis member which is in turn formed by a plate having a series of protruding ribs extending in parallel to one another. Heat is dissipated by conduction only, i.e., there is no cooling fan.

JP 07 210 093 A is directed to a plasma display panel, the temperature of which is cooled by extending a fitting plate of a control circuit board sideways and fixing it to a housing. Heat is dissipated from the housing by radiation.

JP 10 116 036 A is directed to a plasma display device in which an elastic material, such as a silicone resin sheet, having high thermal conductivity, is affixed to approximately the entire surface of the rear side of the plasma screen. An aluminum sheet is adhered to the rear surface of the elastic material. Heat pipes may be previously brazed to the rear surface of the aluminum sheet.

JP 11 119 2116 A is directed to a liquid crystal display module, in which uniform heat distribution is attained by effectively radiating the heat generated by a light source to the rear of the panel. A chassis panel is arranged

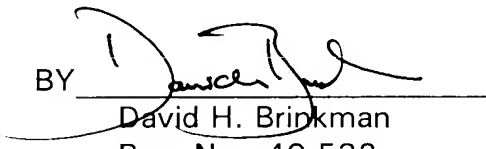
holding a gap of fixed width in between opposed to the approximately whole surface of the rear of the liquid crystal module. The panel is brought into contact with a part near a part opposed to the light source on the rear of the module through a contact member. The heat is transmitted through the member to the panel and cooled. The panel comprises a plurality of holes for the entry and exit of cooling air.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due in connection with this response. However, if such petition is due or any other fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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